Giedra. In 1953, women who had belonged to the student society "Giedra" in Lithuania, started a branch of the society in Chicago and later in Cleveland. They continue the traditions of their society. They arrange retreats for women; every year on October 11, they organize a day of prayer for the Silent Church. They also help support missions in South America and give aid to convents. They are members of the Lithuanian Fund to which they have contributed $1,000. They have granted a prize of $1,000 for a work of literary merit. They grant scholarships to students at the Institute of Lituanistics. They give concerts.

The Lithuanian Catholic Women's Cultural Society was reopened in 1966 in New York. The Society arranges cultural afternoons, art exhibits, literary evenings and lectures. Its members study the important questions of the day. It gives three annual scholarships to students studying Lithuanistics at Fordham University in New York.

CANADA

The Canadian Lithuanian Catholic Women's Society was stared in 1949 by women who had belonged to the Lithuanian Catholic Women's Society in the mother country. Their purpose is to carry on the ideals and traditions of the original society. The Society has seven branches. They issue a periodical called "Moteris" (The Woman); they organize courses, art exhibits, concerts, retreats, symposiums, support camps and sport clubs for young people, help the needy.

South America

ARGENTINE

The Birutė Society (named for a beloved Lithuanian Grand Duchess of the XIV-th century) has been active here since 1931. Its motto is "For God and Country." Its first purpose was to help Lithuanian emigrant women. Later it was more active in the cultural field, organizing concerts, plays, and so on.

BRAZIL

The Brazilian Lithuanian Catholic Women's Society was founded in 1938. Its principal activities are connected with parochial work.

URUAGUAY

The Lithuanian Catholic Women's Society of Montevideo was founded in 1956. Its purpose is to unite Lithuanian Catholic women for religious, civic and social work.

Australia

Melbourne. Women who settled in Australia after World War II, founded a Lithuanian Catholic Women's Society here in 1951. It was through their initiative that a Lithuanian parish was established here. They are mainly interested in cultural and social work.

Adelaide. A Lithuanian Catholic Women's Society was established here in 1960. The Society takes an active part in parochial work, arranges literary and art evenings and exhibits of handicrafts. They visit the sick and help needy families.

Europe

ENGLAND

The Society of Šventa Ona (Saint Anne) was founded in London in 1915. Its purpose — mutual aid and the educational development of its members. The Society functions very effectively. At present its chief activity is centered in parochial work and in the cultural life of the London Lithuanian community.

SCOTLAND

The Lithuanian Catholic Women's society of Scotland was organized in 1929. It has six branches in different cities.
The society is both morally and materially of great help to the Lithuanian community in Scotland.